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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2009, applicant submits the following remarks along with a petition for a one (1) month extension of time.